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# Shanghai Municipal Council.

POLICE FORCE.
(DETECTIVE BRANCH.)

December 21st 1916

Sir,

On December 20th at the Rifle Range bombs removed from the following places were experimented upon with rifle fire:-

(1) Large black enamelled tin canister removed from the Commercial Press Building on Honan Road on December 19th. This tin must have contained a very strong explosive as it went off with terrific force when pierced by a rifle bullet. It was apparently intended that the person discovering it should open it as a quantity of tea and paper was placed on the top to excite the curiosity of the person seeing it and cause him to look further into the contents when no doubt it would have gone off.

(2) Cylindrical metal bomb removed from No.22 Wayside Road on December 3rd 1916. There was a slight explosion only when this was pierced. The force of the explosive had apparently been destroyed by its being soaked in water for over a fortnight.

(3) Cylindrical shaped metal bomb found in the garden at No.26 Wei Hai Wei Road on September 20th 1916. This exploded with great force and scattered fragments of metal all over the ground in the vicinity.

(4) Bomb with case made of a cigarette tin brought from 181/2 Peking Road on 21-7-16. The explosion in this case was slight due to the powder have been soaked by the immersion of the bomb in water.

(5) Bomb with case made of tin canister brought from 200 Hupeh Road on 5-11-16. The explosion was slight due to immersion in water.

(6) Tin canister brought from the Ta Woo Dae 大舞台 theatre on 12,10-16 supposed to be filled with explosives contained earth only.

(7) Two small tin canisters found in the Kiukiang Road theatre on 8-12-16 and supposed to be filled with explosives were filled with mud only.

Your Obedient Servant,
W.H. Armstrong
Chief Detective Inspector.

Captain Superintendent of Police.